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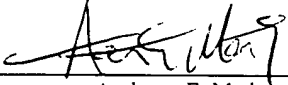
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Applicant: : Gerald B. Eaton, et al.  
Filed : June 8, 2001  
Title: : DRAG REDUCING AGENT SLURRIES HAVING ALFOL ALCOHOLS AND  
PROCESSES FOR FORMING DRAG REDUCING AGENT SLURRIES USING  
ALFOL ALCOHOLS  
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Examiner : Ellen M. McAvoy  
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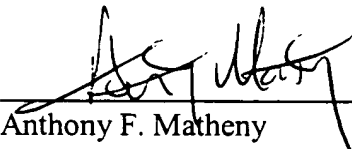
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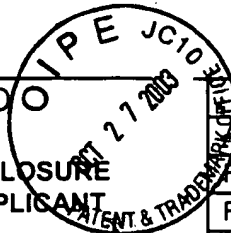
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